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**Great statement from Michael Ellzey re: Vietnam documentary**

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Wed, Sep 27, 2017 at 3:44 PM

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I imagine we'll be asked questions, as well.

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From: **Michael Ellzey** <[michael.ellzey@nara.gov](mailto:michael.ellzey@nara.gov)>

Date: Tue, Sep 26, 2017 at 4:47 PM

Subject: Fwd: Facebook Question

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FYI.

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From: **Michael Ellzey** <[michael.ellzey@nara.gov](mailto:michael.ellzey@nara.gov)>

Date: Tue, Sep 26, 2017 at 12:25 PM

Subject: Re: Facebook Question

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On Tue, Sep 26, 2017 at 10:55 AM, Carla Braswell <[carla.braswell@nara.gov](mailto:carla.braswell@nara.gov)> wrote:

Our Facebook account received the following question from a gentleman named (b) (6).

The Burns documentary series apparently touched on Anna Chennault last night.

Please let me know if we have an official reply to share with him.

"Hello, tonight I watch another episode of Ken Burns: The Vietnam War. In it they talked that someone from the Nixon campaign contacted the Saigon government to not come to the peace negotiations so Nixon could win the election and said he was committing treason etc. Also he knew about it and lied about it. Is any of this true or fact to it? I hope not, people misunderstand Nixon and dislike him and this can hurt his reputation. Which is unfair. Any clarity is most appreciated! Thank you."

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